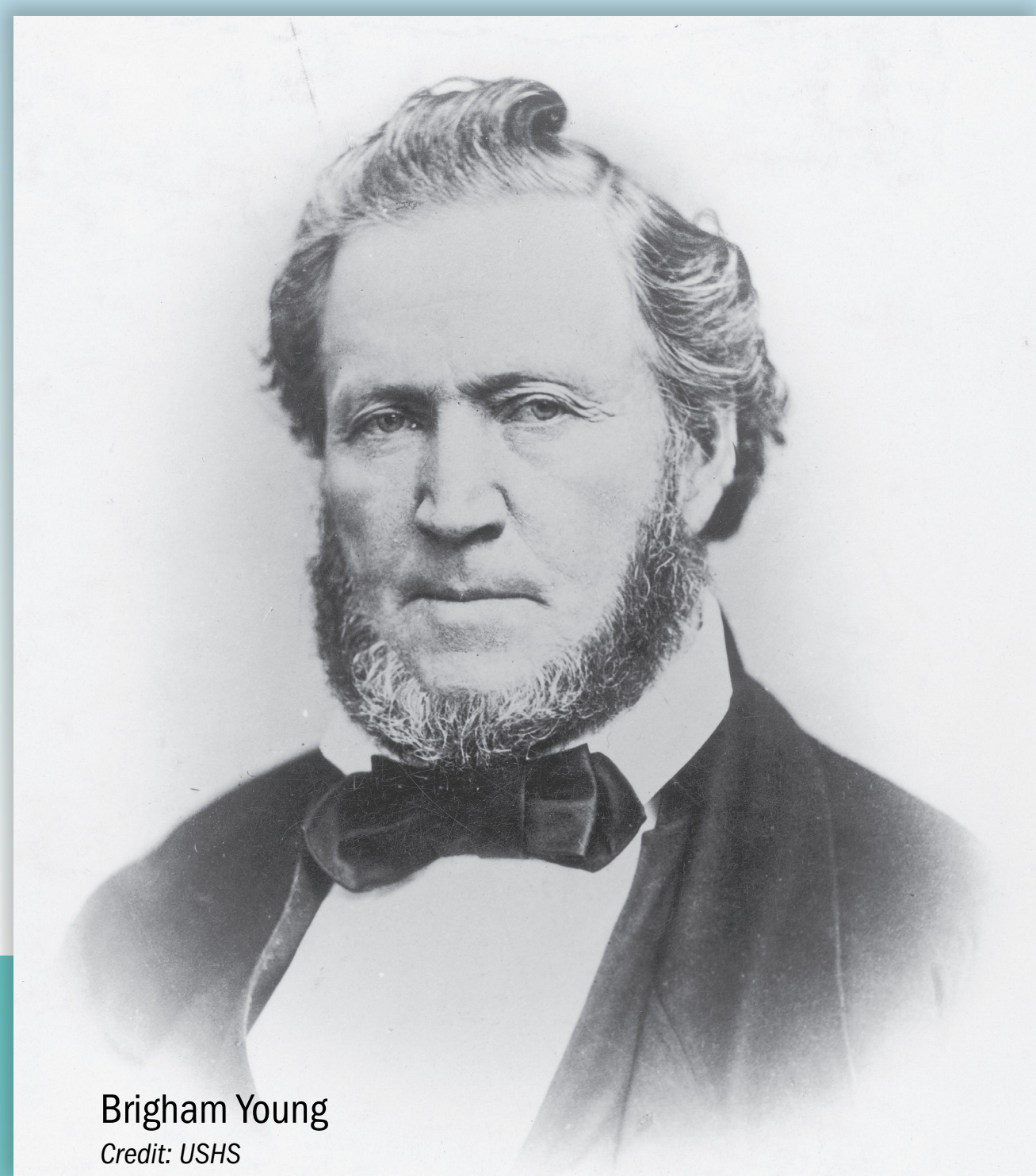


Pioneers and EARLY SETTLERS

The Chosen Land

Many of the transportation routes used today in Red Canyon follow trails and routes that were laid out by Native Americans, explorers, trappers, miners, immigrants, Anglo pioneers, and others who risked much to reach safety and achieve their dreams of wealth and prosperity.

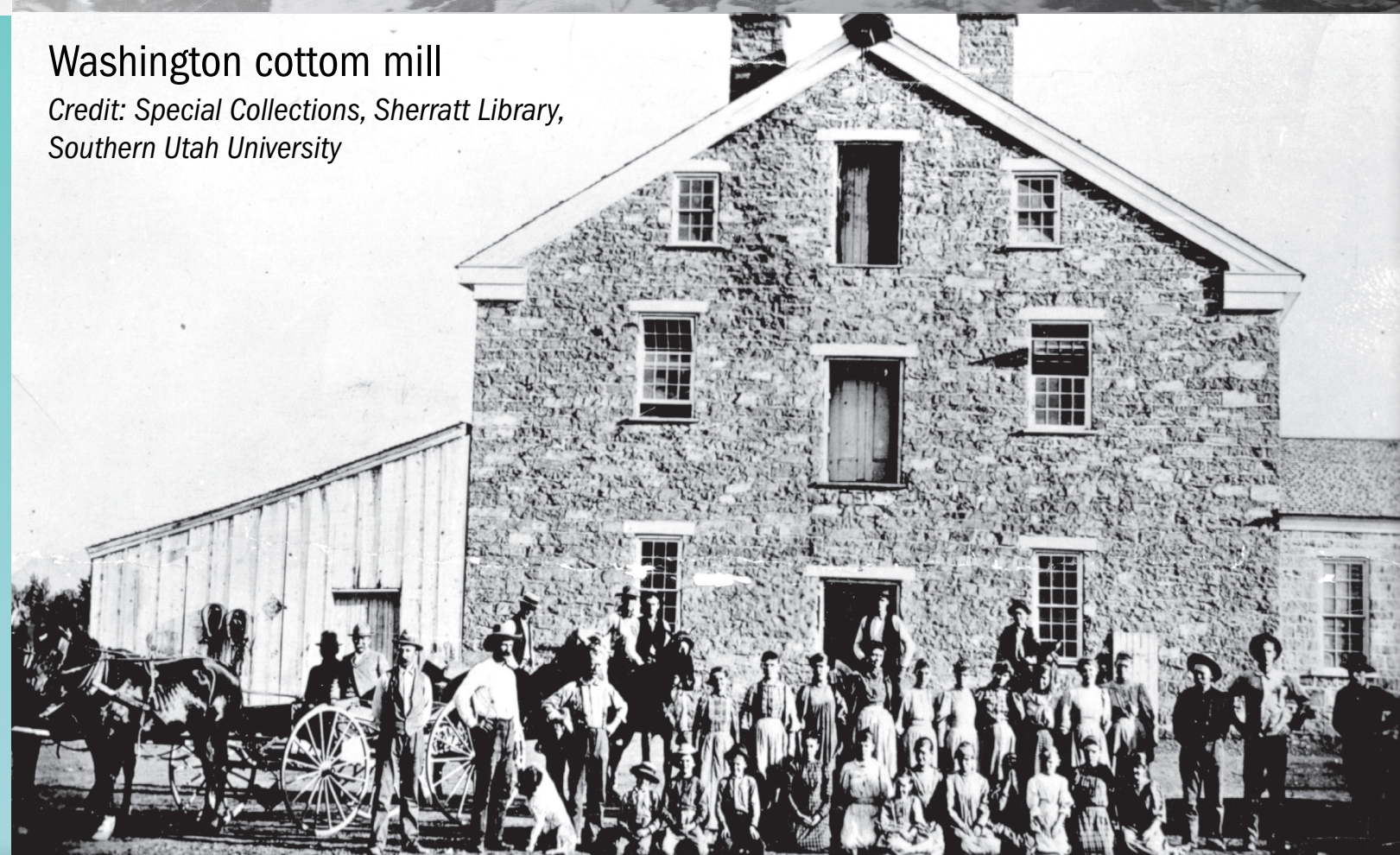


Brigham Young
Credit: USHS

In 1849, Brigham Young—Leader of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Mormons)—sent settlers to the southwest corner of the state to mine iron and coal and to grow crops, including cotton. Many of these settlements border areas of the Dixie National Forest.



Early freight wagon
Credit: Utah County Library Regional History Center



Washington cotton mill
Credit: Special Collections, Sherratt Library, Southern Utah University



Pioneers in front of a covered wagon
Credit: Utah County Library Regional History Center



Mormon Pioneers coming off Big Mountain into Mountain Dell
Credit: USFS



Sheep shearing
Credit: Special Collections, Sherratt Library, Southern Utah University



Visit area heritage centers to learn more about pioneers and early settlers in Utah:

- A PANGUITCH, UT**
County Travel and Tourism Office
- B HATCH, UT**
Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum
- C TROPIC, UT**
Tropic Heritage Center
- D CANNONVILLE, UT**
Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument Visitor Center
- E + F ESCALANTE, UT**
Grand Staircase Escalante National Monument Visitor Center
Hole in the Rock Heritage Center

Another historical resource is the Pine Valley Heritage Center located in Pine Valley, Utah.



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